

part, and though the canvass was fierce and personal, and every provocation to riot was given, order was maintained throughout the State. The precautions taken by the civil authorities, and by General Thomas, it is true, were excellent, yet they were notoriously insufficient had there been any truth in the Democratic dogma that the equal rights of black and white necessitate a war of races. The freedmen were not only orderly, but it is plain that they preserved order. The vote was unusually large, the polls were crowded, the passions of men were excited, and had the negroes desired riot, General Thomas had no force in Tennessee that could have

The alleged acts of violence attributed to the militia by the New York correspondents were fabrications cut out of whole cloth. They were utterly destitute of truth. Major General Thomas sent a prominent and able officer down there to investigate the charges. He found them all false (and) conducted examination of witnesses, and a large number of the leading Democrats of East and Middle Tennessee, he reported a complete vindication of the militia, and justified their conduct. A more modest, civil, courteous, firm and law-abiding militia force never was organized on this continent than

They adhered to the teachings of abolition, which so excited his auditors, both white and black, that he was warmly welcomed and cheered by our readers that this same Joe Wilcox of Middletown, some years ago, was, with his mother and sister, bought from slavery by contributions of the people of this county, from a slaveholder in Maryland. Joe afterwards proved a very good-for-nothing rascal, and was driven from home by his father. He went on to prison in the Lancaster county jail, and one Dauphin jail. Some time in 1856, Joe disappeared, and was supposed to have been turned up with a book styled the "Rights of humanity," peddling the same through the State. He afterwards engaged in the Hayti expedition, and was killed in the battle of the river. The war broke out he enlisted in the United States army, and by some means managed to evade the government, and was afterwards captured and sent to the hospital, where he was killed by being wounded in a hasty attack on Petersburg. *By—Harrisburg Telegraph.*

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